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The Honorable Christian A. Herter /
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Herter:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of 6 October 1959 to Mr. Dulles expressing your desire to explore the possibility of obtaining buildings now occupied by this Agency to meet the space requirements which are excess to your present building and the new annex.

Inasmuch as our space requirements are considerably greater than the capacity of our new building now under construction at Langley, Virginia, we plan to retain those buildings in which you express an interest. However, they will not be adequate to meet our needs, and we will require additional space elsewhere to accommodate personnel now located in buildings scheduled for demolition.

While there appears to be little possibility that these buildings can be released, we will, of course, be happy to discuss this matter with Mr. Henderson, and Colonel L. K. White, Deputy Director (Support), is designated to represent this Agency.

Sincerely,

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C. P. Cabell

General, USAF

Acting Director

CONCUR:

L. K. White
Deputy Director
(Support)

8 Oct 59

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

October 6, 1959

Dear Allen:

As you are aware, the construction of the new State Department building is progressing well, and we hope to occupy it by the middle of next year. Our original plans called for all of this Department and ICA to be located in the present building and the new annex.

New programs and the resulting staff increases, and the current proposal to house at least the top echelon of USIA with us, has resulted in a substantial change in our plans.

The space planned for the Foreign Service Institute,

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[redacted] has been allocated to other units and it will be necessary that the Institute remain at Arlington Towers until suitable space can be found nearer the new building. The current lease will expire in 1963 and it is essential that government owned space be made available prior to that time if the Institute is to carry out its responsibilities at the most economical cost.

In addition to the problem of locating the Foreign Service Institute nearby, there is also the problem of locating those elements of ICA and USIA which cannot be accommodated in the new building because of expansion and the additional requirement that part of USIA be housed in the same building. Obviously, these elements should also be located near the new building. Economy and efficiency of operation leads to the conclusion that all three elements, the FSI, ICA and USIA, should be located in the same place. It is estimated that some 300,000 net usable square feet of space would be required.

We should

The Honorable
Allen W. Dulles,
Director,
Central Intelligence Agency.

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We should like to explore the possibility of obtaining space at the site adjoining the grounds of the Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery at 23rd and E Streets, N.W., now occupied by the Central Intelligence Agency. This site appears to be an excellent location for the Institute and the other elements because of its proximity to our new building and the adaptability of the existing buildings for this purpose.

Your cooperation in our efforts to find a satisfactory solution to this problem would be most helpful. I should appreciate it if you would designate someone with whom Mr. Loy W. Henderson, Deputy Under Secretary for Administration, could discuss this matter.

With warmest personal regards,

Most sincerely,



Christian A. Herter

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director

The attached proposed reply to Mr. Herter acknowledges receipt of his letter of 6 October 1959 to Mr. Dulles and advises that although we will have a continuing need for the buildings presently occupied by this Agency at 2430 "E" Street, N.W., we will be glad to discuss the matter with Mr. Henderson.

Recommend signature.

L. K. White
Deputy Director
(Support)

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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Cabell

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I have sent a copy of this to Red White for
preparation of a reply for your signature.

If you will return to me, I will show this
to the Director when he returns.



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